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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This communication is responsive to the Office Action dated April 4, 2006, for which the three-month shortened statutory period for response is set to expire on July 4, 2006.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 2 of this document.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3 of this document.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this document.

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IN THE DRAWINGS:

Please amend the drawings by substituting the attached Replacement Sheet of drawings for the Replacement Sheet accompanying the January 17, 2006 Response.

FIGS. 3 and 4 have been amended to remove the three apertures added by the January 17, 2006 Response.

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